

HOUSE BILL 795  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10,  
Chapter 7, Part 5, relative to disclosure of  
information which is protected as a confidential  
public record.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5, is amended by  
adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

§ 10-7-516.

Any utility service provider, as defined by § 10-7-504(a)(15), that fails to keep  
confidential the telephone number, address and any other information which could be  
used to locate the whereabouts of a domestic violence shelter or rape crisis center which  
is entitled to confidential protection of such information pursuant to § 10-7-504(17), as a  
result of the utility service provider's negligence, shall be liable to such domestic violence  
shelter or rape crises center for all real and consequential damages which result from  
such negligence.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.